

Rochester Numismatic Association Meeting Minutes



1937

1937

OFFICERS

of the

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

President:	James E. Powers
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Secretary:	Joseph B. Harzinski
Treasurer:	John W. Sloane
Curator:	Gustav J. Lindboe

COINAGE OF COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS IN 1936.

Following is the number of commemorative half dollars coined at the different mints during 1936, as reported by the Bureau of the Mint, Washington, D. C.:

	Philadelphia.	San Francisco.	Denver.
Albany, N. Y.	25,013	.....	.....
Arkansas Centennial	10,010	10,012	10,010
Bay Bridge, S. F.-Oakland	100,055	.....	.....
Calif.-Pacif. Exposition .....	.....	.....	180,092
Bridgeport Centennial	25,015	.....	.....
Cincinnati Musical Center	5,005	5,006	5,005
Cleveland Centennial	25,015	.....	.....
Columbia, S. C.	9,007	8,007	8,009
Daniel Boone	12,012	5,006	5,005
Elgin Centennial	25,015	.....	.....
Long Island, N. Y.	100,053	.....	.....
Lynchburg, Va.	20,013	.....	.....
Oregon Trail	10,006	5,006	.....
Providence, R. I.	20,013	15,011	15,010
Texas Centennial	10,008	10,008	10,007
Wisconsin Centennial	25,015	.....	.....
York County, Maine	25,015	.....	.....



THE ARKANSAS-ROBINSON HALF DOLLAR.

The Arkansas half dollar with the portrait of Senator Joseph T. Robinson on the reverse was distributed early in February. The coins are dated 1936. The distribution was through Stack's, 690 Sixth avenue, New York City.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA ALUMNI WANTS FRANKLIN CENT.

The alumni of the University of Pennsylvania wants some changes in our minor coins and don't hesitate to say so. For one thing, they want to "promote" Lincoln from the cent to the nickel.

"We are tired of Indians and buffaloes on our nickels," several of them said, digging coins from their pockets as they held their annual meeting in Houston Hall, on Founders' Day. We want to put Abe Lincoln on the nickel, as has been suggested already, beginning in 1938," they declared. If we move him up from one cent to five, that leaves the cent vacant. That's where we really come in. We want Ben Franklin put on the next American cent."

Inasmuch as Founders' Day is observed in honor of the University's patron saint, the same Dr. Franklin, a resolution to this effect was thunderously carried. The second half of the resolution urged that the United States Government erect a memorial to Franklin in the National Capital, "commensurate with his patriotic, scientific and literary achievements."

So far as nickels and cents are concerned, it is time both of them are renovated, spokesmen for the resolution said.

Lincoln has dominated the penny since 1909, and it is about time he is promoted, they said. As for the buffalo nickel, it has been in circulation since 1913, but each year the buffalo gets more and more extinct, they added.

MEDAL FOR R. N. A.'S TWENTY-FIFTH PRESIDENT.

The Rochester Numismatic Association has again struck a medal for its past president, which bears the portrait of J. Baker Harzinski. The die work is by A. Kolb, a member of the association and one of the leading die cutters of Western New York.



As Mr. Harzinski was the twenty-fifth President, one of these medals was struck in silver. Only twenty-five of the medals were struck, including the silver one. Others than members wishing them may purchase them through the secretary, J. B. Harzinski.

A \$20 GOLD COIN WITH PATTERN REVERSE.

In a recent find of a few United States gold pieces under an old barn in Hull, Texas, there came to light a \$20 coin dated 1861-S, having a rather interesting reverse. The accompanying photograph shows the reverse in question on the right, compared with the standard reverse for the period on the left (1858-O).



Referring to A.-W. on U. S. Pattern Pieces, the reverse of the 1861 coin compares in detail with No. 281, except, of course, for the addition of the small "s" mint mark. According to the notations for No. 281, this reverse was designed by A. C. Paquet and appeared on six or eight pattern coins of 1859-60-61. The notes further state that this reverse "was never used on a coin issued for regular circulation."

Now for the question as to how this coin was regularly minted, for I entertain no false illusions or hopes regarding its rarity. I can only assume that the die was supplied with others to the San Francisco Mint and used for regular minting after the addition of the letter "S."

A. J. FECHT.

611 Esperson Building, Houston, Texas.

THE NORFOLK COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLAR.

Anticipating that the bill authorizing a commemorative half dollar for the 300th anniversary of the Original Norfolk Land Grant and the 200th anniversary of the creation of Norfolk as a borough would pass Congress at its session last year, the Norfolk Advertising Board, for which the coins are to be issued, had designs prepared for the coin. Failure of Congress to pass the bill has held the matter in suspense. The bill was reintroduced at the



present session of Congress and its sponsors are confident it will pass. The designs prepared last year will be used and are illustrated here. The obverse has the official seal of the city of Norfolk. The reverse has a reproduction of the Norfolk Mace. The Mace was presented to Norfolk when it was a borough—in 1753—by Lieutenant-Governor Dinwiddie as a token of his esteem for the borough. It is said Norfolk is the only borough within the United States with a Mace.

New York

Numismatic Gossip

By Our New York
Correspondent

The news of the death of Robert Robertson on January 22nd cast a gloom upon New Yorkers and the members of the American Numismatic Society. Mr. Robertson had been ailing for some time, but was well enough to continue his daily duties as assistant curator of the collection of the American Numismatic Society. During 1935 he was honored by the King of Sweden with the Knight insignia of the Order of Vasa First Class, for his generous contributions to the Royal Coin Cabinet in Stockholm. His generosity was not confined to numismatic lines, but he was also active in his neighborhood and church relief activities. The poor people to whom he gave financial assistance remembered him and partly repaid him by their last respects. Howland Wood feels his loss keenly, but we hope that he will soon find an assistant who can replace Mr. Robertson to a certain extent.

Early in February local collectors were startled by a press report of the theft of a coin collection of a resident of Pellham Manor. The 18-year-old colored thief sold the coins for a little more than face value. The police chief gave the value of the coins as \$7,000. An 1824 half dollar was said to be worth over \$1,000. The latter brought \$11.50, and the entire collection, including an eagle and an 1834 half eagle, were sold for \$26.50. The papers stated the thief had no knowledge of numismatics, but it looks to us as if he knew more about it than did the police. We wonder whose catalogue gives a thousand-dollar valuation on an 1824 half dollar.

Talking about burglaries, Mr. Wormser showed that he had not been licked by the one he suffered recently. At the February meeting of the New

York Club he made a remarkable exhibition of mining coins of the world. At the same meeting, F. C. C. Boyd was the envy of collectors of U. S. coins. The occasion for this was his complete set of half cents from 1825 to 1857, with all of the rare dates, most of which were represented by the restrikes as well as the originals.

At the end of January Mr. Hofferker, chairman of the A. N. A. Legislative Committee, stopped over at New York on his trip from El Paso to Washington by the roundabout route made necessary by the floods. We incline to the belief that recent newspaper reports relating to restriction of commemoratives authorized by Congress are the result of his efforts. We know of over twenty requests for half dollars made before February 15. One bill calls for 10,000 coins to be sold at a premium. The proceeds are to be used for celebration purposes and to purchase land necessary for the building of a boulevard connecting Fort Nonsense Park and the Morristown National Historical Park. Is that where we are going? If so, how much will each of the 10,000 coins cost? New Jersey club members are up in arms about the rumor of a new coin club to be formed for the specific purpose of receiving an issue of commemorative coins sponsored by it.

Inquiries were made of the mint and of Mr. Stack concerning the extra 250 Robinson half dollars coined in January. The mint advised that all coins were of the same design, and Mr. Stack says that they were given to Senator Robinson. The distributors of these coins received a lot of advertising, and when the half dollar was given to President Roosevelt the presentation was broadcast by the Columbia Broadcasting System over a national hook-up. The first piece struck was presented to Senator Robinson, who, in turn, gave it to Mrs. Robinson. As to the Roanoke half dollar, for those collectors who noticed a mis-spelling in the photograph of the artist's model, shown in last month's Numismatist, the mint advises that the spelling of "Kaleigh" was corrected before the dies were made. Thank Heaven for that.

R. N. A. COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL.

About twenty-five years ago—January 4, 1912, to be exact—a group of men, including the late Dr. George P. French, George J. Bauer, past President of the A. N. A., W. H. Amberg, A. H. Plumb, Fred E. Merritt and Harry H. Yawger, met in a room at the Hotel Rochester and organized the Rochester Numismatic Association.



Twenty-five years later, with many of the charter members present, the club celebrated its Silver Jubilee and issued a silver medal to commemorate it, which is illustrated here. The design and die work are by one of the club members, A. A. Kolb.

NORTHWEST COIN CLUB MEDAL CAN STILL BE OBTAINED.

A. D. White, Central High School, St. Paul, Minn., writes that there are still on hand a few of the medals struck for the convention of the A. N. A. in Minneapolis, Minn., last August. The medal was illustrated in our December issue. They are struck in coin silver. Write Mr. White for full particulars.

R. N. A.

25th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

The Rochester Numismatic Association will hold
it's 25th Anniversary Banquet on January 3rd, 1937, at
the Hotel Seneca.

Members and their wives and friends will meet
about 3 P. M. for a friendly get together.

Dinner will be served at 6 P. M. \$1.00 per plate.

We would like to see as many as possible attend
this banquet. Remember this is our 25th Anniversary.
Boost your Club. Let's all come.

Please notify the Committee if you can attend.

J. B. Harzinski,
9 Arlington St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

J. E. Powers,
31 Wilmington St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

P.S. There will be a special Medal struck
for this event. 1/2 Dollar size in silver.
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Silver Jubilee

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Rochester
Numismatic Association



Organized January 4, 1912

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W. H. Amberg
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W. J. Ballard
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- 6 A. J. Kaufman, 63 Colgate St.
- 7 John W. Horner, 112 Comfort St.
- 8 Geo. A. Gillette, 1016 Wilder Bldg.
- 9 Earl H. Potter, R. D. #2, Coldwater, N. Y.
- 10 William F. Sunday, 151 Malling Drive
- 11 Moritz Wormser, 95 Fifth Ave., New York City
- 12 A. A. Kolb, 453 Clinton Ave. North
- 13 Dr. A. C. Parker, Rochester Museum, Edgerton Pk
- 14 F. Emmett Peake, 168 Troup St.
- 15 Chester A. Peake, 168 Troup St.
- 16 John W. Sloane, 326 Powers Bldg.
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- 18 Geo. H. Blake, 12 Highland Ave. Jersey City N.J.
- 19 Charles W. Foster, 100 Astor Drive
- 20 Gustav J. Lindboe, 358 Main St. East
- 21 L. L. Babin, P. O. Box 708

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- 22 Clarence E. Moore, 122 Mulberry
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- 24 Frank B. Grover, 725 Clifford Ave
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- 26 I. B. Bernstein, 3 Front St.
- 27 A. D. Donley, Brighton High School
- 28 James E. Powers, 31 Wilmington St.
- 29 Max Weisbuch, 101 Culver Rd.
- 30 Barney Bloom, 120 Rosalind St.
- 31 Joseph V. Blum, 63 Lake Front
- 32 M. C. Nivison, 62 Lapham Pk. Webs
- 33 Frederick E. Webb, 91-93 St. Paul
- 34 Jack Cohen, 230 East Ave.
- 35 Wm. A. Elston, 184 Seville Dr.
- 36 George W. Studley, 115 Maryland St
- 37 Edward F. Meinhardt, 93 Bellevue Dr
- 38 Leslie C. Swartz, 508 Westfield St.
- 39 Burton J. Greene, 122 Rosalind St.
- 40 Armand Weisbuch, 101 Culver Rd.
- 41 H. F. Hayes, 301 Meigs St.

567 Minutes of the 25th Anniversary Banquet

The 25th Anniversary Banquet was held at the Hotel Seneca on January 3rd, 1937.

The following members and their guests were present at the Banquet: J.B. Harzinski, W. H. Amberg, A. H. Plumb, G. J. Lindboe, C. A. Peake, A. J. Kaufman, J. E. Powers, A. A. Kolb, J. W. Sloane, L. L. Babin, J. W. Horner, I. Bernstein, W. F. Sunday, G. J. Bauer, Joseph Blum, G. A. Gillette, Dr. A. C. Parker, Guests: Mary C. Hart, Mrs. J. B. Harzinski, Mrs. I. Beldon, Mrs. G. J. Bauer, Mrs. I. Bernstein, Mrs. A. Kolb, Mrs. J. W. Horner, Mrs. Jennie Tickner.

Members and their guests met early in the afternoon in the large room on the mezzanine where card playing was enjoyed by both ladies and gents.

Mr. Kolb presented both the 25th Anniversary medal and the Presidential medal to members ordering them.

At 6:30 the group was escorted to the beautiful Palm Room, where a very delightful dinner was served.

After the dinner a short meeting was called and the following officers were installed by Mr. Geo. J. Bauer, who acted as toastmaster:

President	--	J. E. Powers
Vice Pres.	--	F. E. Peake
Secretary	--	J. B. Harzinski
Treasurer	--	J. W. Sloane
Curator	--	G. J. Lindboe

Mr. Bauer then asked for a silent Tribute to deceased members of the Association.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Lindboe by all the members for his very fine arrangement of the Banquet.

Mr. Powers then closed the meeting by extending a vote of thanks to the following members, Mr. A. A. Kolb, Mr. G. J. Lindboe and Mr. Harzinski.



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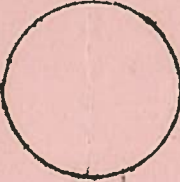
NOTICE NO. 1

The next meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on Tuesday, January 19th, 1937, at 8:00 P. M., at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences.

We would like to see you all out to these meetings. You have a new set of officers. They are planning on building your Club membership up. Why not give them your support?

This will be Auction Night. Look around and see if you haven't some duplicates you don't need. Bring them along. Most all of us are interested in U. S. coins.

Just a word about the Presidential Medal. No doubt you need one to keep your collection complete. There were only 25 struck, and very few are left, so you had better get yours now. Price \$2.50.

Silver Jubilee	ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
	Membership No. _____ _____ _____
1912 1937	_____ Treasurer

Your membership card for 1937 is ready, and will be sent upon receipt of cash, check or money order.

J. B. Hargis
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of January 19, 1937

The 368th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8:30 P. M. with President Powers presiding.

The following were present: Harzinski, Plumb, C. A. Peake, Dr. Parker, Donley, Bauer, Amberg, Powers, Blum, Kolb, Babin, F. E. Peake, Sunday, Moore, Kaufman, Cohen, Lindboe and Sloane. Visitors: Mary C. Hart, W. A. Elston, Sr., William Elston, Jr., I. S. Donley, Wm. Kruse, L. M. Curtiss, F. E. Webb.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Lindboe gave a final report of the Coin Committee. A motion was made and carried to extend a vote of thanks to the Committee for their fine work.

A bill for miscellaneous was presented by Mr. Peake and ordered paid.

Mr. Lindboe, newly appointed Curator, asked for an appropriation of \$25. for the Coin Room. This was approved of. With this Mr. Lindboe asked that arrangements be made with the Museum to have the key changed and other necessities so he could take charge.

A motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

The raffling of the Medal was then conducted and won by Mr. Bauer.

The Auction then followed, which brought much enjoyment to visitors and new collectors.

J. B. Harzinski, Sec.

Rochester Numismatic Association



MEETING NOTICE NO. 2

FEBRUARY 2, 1937

The first meeting of the month will be held on February 2, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8 P. M. This meeting will be held on the second floor of the Museum next to the Coin Room.

FLASH

WERE YOU AT THE LAST MEETING? IF NOT, WHY NOT? There were over 25 at this meeting, which included many new faces. Why not you bring a friend to one of these meetings? We are planning many things for the coming meetings. Please give us a hand by attending.

DON'T FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES.

J. B. Harzinski
Secretary

P.S.

I have place your name on the mailing list of the NUMISMATIC SCRAPBOOK. Did you like it? If so why not drop MR. Hewitt a line.

Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 2, 1937

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The 569th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences, with President Powers presiding.

The following members were present: Harzinski, Amberg, Powers, Bauer, Lindboe, Plumb, Webb, Kruse, Kolb, Babin, Gillette, Sloane, Guest of the evening, Mr. Gutentag, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Lindboe gave a short talk on rebuilding of the Club and the Club collection. A motion was made and seconded that an additional \$25. be appropriated for material for the cases. This met a veto.

Mr. Harzinski was appointed to represent the Rochester Numismatic Association at the Hobby Council.

Two new members were elected to membership, Mr. Webb and Mr. Studley.

Mr. Kolb displayed one of the latest medals and gave a short talk about it.

Mr. Gutentag gave us a few words in regards to his visit to other Clubs through New York State.

The Medal was raffled and won by Mr. Gillette.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

J. B. Harzinski, Sec.



Rochester Numismatic Association

MEETING NOTICE NO. 3

570th meeting February 16, 1937

The next meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on February 16th, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences, Edgerton Park, at 8 P. M.

ATTENTION

((This is visitors night.)) Each member is urged to bring a visitor or friend to this meeting. We also ask the members who belong to the Club and have not been there lately, to try to attend this meeting.

Several of our members have been ill, and we wish them a speedy recovery, and hope to see them back at our meetings very soon.



GOING! GOING! GONE!

This will be Auction night.

You have some duplicates, why not bring them along? It might be just what the other fellow wants.

J. R. H. [Signature]
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 16th.

The 570th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8:30 P? M. with President Powers presiding.

The following were present: Harzinski, Powers, Bloom, Elston, Kaufman, Babin, Dr. Parker, Lindboe, Blum, Becker, Amberg, Kolb, Sloane, Nivison, Bauer, Studley, Gillette, Webb, Donley, also nine visitors.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Parker gave a brief talk on the reorganization of the Hobby Council, and asked that some one from the Club be elected to serve on the council. Mr. Powers said this would be taken care of.

Mr. Gillette and others gave their opinions on the Commemorative issues. The Secretary offered to supply whatever information that could be had so members could order them.

Mr. Powers welcomed the many visitors that were present.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15, and was followed by the raffle and auction.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary.

Rochester Numismatic Association



MEETING NOTICE NO. 4

57th Est. MEETING MARCH 2,
1937

The first meeting of the month will be held on March 2, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences Edgerton Park at 8 P. M.

First meeting of each month are held on the second floor near the Coin room.

FLASH

NORFOLK Commemorative Half Dollar
I have received a letter and application blank on this Coin, stating price and other information as to where they may be had. I will gladly furnish this at the next meeting.

DO YOU KNOW ???? that there were over 40 present at our last meeting, altho we MISSED some of the regular members. You are always welcomed to bring VISITORS

EXTRA!! BIG NIGHT!! MARCH 16TH.

J. B. Harginski
Secretary

571st meeting March 2nd.

Transcript:

Meeting was called to order by President Powers.

In absence of Secretary Mr. Babin appointed Sect. pro tem.

Minutes read and accepted as read.

Mr. G. J. Lindboe appointed as club representative to Hobby Council.

As the Caledonia Hobby Club was coming (March 16) to visit it was decided to put up a donated feed:

Bauer-- Punch
Lindboe--Sugar
Kolb--Coffee
Swartz, Ellston, Meinhart, Powers, --Cake
Babin, Blum--Cream

Motion carried 25 lots per person for next auction.

" " Owner has one protective bid, after that he pays comm.

Mr. Bauer reported that he represented the club at the funeral of Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman in Syracuse. (He was an Honorary Member of the Club. Mr. Gillette was instructed to draw up a resolution.

Motion carried that a Resolution be adopted that the Club go on record as opposed to the re-issue of Commemoratives after the year of Commemoration.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35.

A short discussion and a small auction followed.

L.L.B.

Rochester Numismatic Association



MEETING NOTICE NO. 5

572 nd. Meeting March 16, 1937

Time 8 P.M.

PLACE ROCHESTER MUSEUM OF
ARTS AND SCIENCE, EDGERTON PARK.

SPECIAL PROGRAM

CALEDONIA HOBBY CLUB
WILL BE OUR GUEST

Auction

Refreshments

MEMBERS



VISITORS

Exhibit

Lunch

GUEST

You are Requested

TO BRING YOUR WIFE OR FRIEND

Minutes of the meeting of March 16.

The 572nd meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 9 P. M., with President Powers presiding, and the Caledonia Hobby Club as our guests.

There were 22 members and 15 guests present.

A motion was made and carried to suspend the regular business. Three new members were admitted to the Club by application, Mr. E. F. Meinhart, 93 Bellevue Dr., Mr. L. C. Swartz, 508 Westfield St., and Mr. **B.** J. Greene, 122 Rosalind St.

The meeting was then adjourned to the auction, which was a huge success, Mr. Lindboe and Mr. Bauer being Auctioneers.

After the Auction a lunch was served by the wives of some of the members, which was enjoyed by all.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

Rochester Numismatic Association



MEETING NOTICE NO. 6

WHY FOOL YOURSELF

The Rochester Numismatic Association holds it's next meeting on April 6th, 1937, 8 P. M. at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edgerton Park, and invites you and your guest to this meeting. The attendance is growing larger at each meeting. WHY NOT YOU COME.

There will be a large auction. Bring something for it, buy something from it.

Reports on the Commemorative -- 1937 Arkansas Half-Dollars P.D.S. Mints are ready -- 5,000 sets -- price \$8.75 a set. Address Stacks, 690 Sixth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Along the Oregon Trail -- 1937 Denver Mint -- 12,000 pieces price \$1.60 plus 10¢ -- Address Oregon Trail Memorial Association, 1775 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Latest report -- 49 bills before Congress. None have passed as yet.

Are you interested in the 1937 Proof sets? If so, see the Secretary at the next meeting.

LAST CALL. A membership list for 1937 is now being prepared. Your dues must be paid not later than the next meeting, April 6th.

J. B. Parzinski
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of April 6th. 1937

The 573rd meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8:30 P. M., with President Powers presiding.

The following members were present: Powers, Donley, C.A. Peake, Elston, Plumb, Lindboe, Kolb, Meinhart, Babin, Bauer, Sunday, Sloan, Blum, Harzinski, Swartz, Cohen, Groover, Bloom and Webb.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

With no old business, new business was called to order.

Dr. Peake gave a brief summary of the proposed Commemorative Half-Dollar, which is being sponsored by the Historical Society in commemoration of the Denonville-LaSalle 250th Anniversary Celebration. This brought much discussion from the floor. Many members expressed their disapproval of the number of coins the bill calls for. Dr. Peake asked that the Association unanimously approve of the bill. This met with objection. However, it was voted upon and passed.

The meeting was then adjourned to the raffle and auction, which was again conducted by our good friend Billy Sunday.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

THE PROPOSED DENONVILLE HALF DOLLAR.

(Editor's Note—The following has been received from the Rochester Numismatic Association. It summarizes the reasons for Western New York asking for the issue of a half dollar to commemorate the anniversaries of the expedition of the Marquis de Denonville into that territory, and of the voyages and explorations of Robert Caveller Sieur de La Salle in the same region.)

In 1687 the Marquis Denonville, then Governor of Canada and representative of Louis XIV of France, invaded the Genesee country seeking to punish the Seneca and other nations of the Iroquois and to lay hold of the territory in the name of France. If he could do this he would thereby drive an effectual barrier between the English possessions and the Mississippi and unite Canada (New France) with the French possessions at the mouth of the river. The Iroquois had been cementing their allegiance to the English and had been in communication with Governor Dongan, who had belatedly been sending them military supplies. But military help had come too late.

Denonville, with the largest army of regulars, militia and Indian allies ever assembled for invasion, entered New York by way of Irondequoit Bay and marched overland to the several Seneca villages, seeking to catch the

Indians unawares. The period of his activity was during the last half of July, 1687. He succeeded in destroying four of the great Indian towns and in burning and destroying crops and supplies. He was not able to lure the Senecas into an open engagement, but returned to Montreal, claiming the regions as conquered. The Iroquois soon arose with punitive expeditions and, uniting with the English, made war upon New France.

Eventually the region was saved for an English-speaking people, the way being paved for control of these Indians through Sir William Johnson. Settlers of English extraction thus became acquainted with this domain, but the War of the Revolution threw this chance to the settlers and patriot soldiers rather than to the British, and thus, eventually, the Genesee country became the homeland of Revolutionary soldiers, mostly from the army of Gen. John Sullivan.

The date 1687 marks a crucial period in American colonial history, for it fixes the time of the zenith of French power, the expedition of Denonville being one of its evidences. In 1687 the English were awakened to the urgent need of gaining the friendship of the Iroquois and of using them against New France. This was an important maneuver in holding the integrity of British power, and had the British failed there would have been a far different situation for the successful colonists after the Revolution. It saved the region for the future United States.

While this happened 250 years ago, we are also reminded of the earlier expedition of LaSalle, who built the first sailing vessel on the Great Lakes, and who made a journey into the Genesee country in 1669. As the forerunner of Denonville and the bringer of missionaries he stands as an important explorer of the New World, and especially of Western New York. We fix his date as 1669.

The earlier expeditions of the French occurred in 1609, this being the date of the first military engagement with the Iroquois. Thus the French and Indian period may be set as beginning at this date, though along the St. Lawrence there had been the earlier voyages of Cartier.

A commemorative half dollar memorializing these episodes, especially the expedition of Denonville 250 years ago, will serve to mark one of the most important events in colonial history, and one that had an important bearing on the future of the United States.

R. N. A. TO ISSUE MEDAL ON DENONVILLE EXPEDITION.

As the possibility is quite remote that Congress will authorize a half dollar in commemoration of the expedition of the Marquis de Denonville into Western New York, the Rochester Numismatic Association has voted to issue a medal for the occasion. (A detailed history of the expedition was published in our last issue.)

The medal will be of half-dollar size and will be struck in bronze. On one side will be the portrait of Denonville. On the other side will be a map of the route taken by him on his expedition when he destroyed four of the largest Indian towns.



Rochester Numismatic Association

NOTICE NO. 7

The next meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on Tuesday evening, April 20th, 1937, 8 P. M. Sharp, at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences, Edgerton Park.

PROGRAM

Our regular business meeting, followed by the raffle of the Medal, and a small Auction.

We are planning a little extra entertainment for this meeting, but must have your co-operation. You must be there on time, 8 P. M. SHARP.

We will endeavor to issue a series of Numismatic Maxims for new and old collectors. Follow these as they will be of benefit to all.

"A library goes hand in hand with a collection of coins."

"It is better to collect a few series and know your subject than to attempt to collect everything and think you know it all and really know nothing."

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of April 20th.

The 574th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8:30, P. M. In the absence of President Powers, Mr. G. J. Lindboe took the chair.

There were 18 members present.

Due to other arrangements the minutes of the last meeting were not read. No correspondence or other business, then the meeting adjourned to the raffle.

The Secretary then took charge of the affair, which consisted of a moving picture show. Among these were colored pictures of one of last summer's outings at Point Peake, with the Horseshoe Champs in action. There was also a picture of the Mohawk Valley, which history tied up with the proposed Commemorative Half-Dollar.

After this a very successful Auction was held, and an enjoyable evening was had by all.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary



Rochester Numismatic Association

The 575th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on May 4th, 1937, 8 P. M., at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences, Edgerton Park.

Again this will be Visitors night. Please plan on being there, also be sure to bring a friend with you.

There will be an Auction, so please bring something good for it. The better the material, the better the Auction.

We see that Mr. Bluestone, of Syracuse, is holding another of his Auctions on the 21-22 of May. New members wishing to receive this catalogue may do so by dropping him a line at 167 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, N.Y.

B. Max Mohl's sale was held on the 27th. His price list will make a very fine reference list for the general collector. It may be had for 50¢ in advance, address Fort Worth, Texas.

We understand Mr. Bauer was a guest at the Westchester County Coin Club Banquet. We will be looking for a few words from him at this meeting.

After this meeting President Powers will leave for a week's trip to Washington D. C. Here's hoping he will pick up a few new coins.

Nothing new on Commemoratives.

NUMISMATIC MAXIMS

Collect if possible coins in the best condition. You will then buy but once, and when you want to sell you have something worth selling.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary.

Minutes of the meeting of May 14th.

The 575th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences at 8:30 P. M. In the absence of President Powers, who was in Washington, D. C., Mr. G. J. Lindboe took the chair.

There were 18 members and two visitors present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. There was no correspondence.

Under new business the question of an outing was brought up. This was set for June the 5th, at Point Peake.

Mr. Lindboe then asked that the Club have 1,000 Cards printed relating to where and when the Club meets. This was approved.

Mr. Bauer gave us a report on his visit to the Westchester Coin Club.

The meeting was then adjourned to the raffaings of the Medal, which was followed by the auction.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

The 576th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on Tuesday, May 18th, at 8 P. M. at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edgerton Park.

We understand Mr. Gillette will give us a little paper for this meeting. His talks are always of interest to collectors of all Countries.

Mr. Powers is back from Washington, and from the few minutes I had with him, he has a few pieces that you may want for your collection.

I also have the proof sets that were ordered and paid for by members.

We are always glad to see visitors at our meetings. Do not hesitate to ask a friend or stranger to pay us a visit. You set a good example for others by attending yourself.

Maxims for young and old.

"Don't try to collect everything, you will never catch up with your contract, and you will never enjoy the many fine pieces you may have.

J. B. Harzinski
Secretary

Minutes of the Meeting of May 18, 1937.

The 576th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences at 8:30 P.M. with President Powers in the chair.

There were 21 members and 2 visitors present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Lindboe then told of the absence of the Presidential Medals from Hoover on in the Club collection. Mr. Gillette offered to donate those lacking.

A bill from the Rochester Museum Association for dues was presented and ordered paid.

Mr. Bauer mentioned the fact that the Tri-State Convention would be held soon and asked members to make plans for it.

President Powers then called on Judge Knight for a few words.

Mr. Gillette gave us a very fine talk on early Rochester bank notes and presented a very fine display of them to correspond with his talk.

The Medal was raffled and won by Mr. Bauer. The Auction followed and meeting adjourned.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

Rochester Numismatic Association

The Rochester Numismatic Association will hold it's next regular meeting on June 1st, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences, Edgerton Pk., 8 P. M.

There is always something up for Auction.

OUTING JUNE 5th. 1937

The first outing of the year will be held on June 5th, 1937, at Point Peake. Those wishing to go should meet at the Genesee Motors, Franklin and St. Paul Sts. at 1:30. Other information may be had at the next meeting as to eats, price, etc..

TRI*STATE COIN & STAMP CONVENTION

HOTEL JAMESTOWN, JAMESTOWN, N.Y.

JUNE 12-13, 1937

PLAN ON ATTENDING.

J. B. Herginski Secy

Minutes of the meeting of June 1st, 1937

The 577th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on Tuesday June 1st, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, at 8:30 P. M., with President Powers presiding.

There were 11 members and one visitor present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Lindboe then gave us a report on the Presidential Medals. The Club extended a vote of thanks to Mr. Gillette for this donation.

Mr. Lindboe spoke about the Numismatists that were lacking in the Club collection.

Mr. Plumb offered donation of the small cents that were lacking in the Club collection.

The meeting adjourned, which was followed by the auction, that consisted of many fine pieces of fractional currency in strips of five.

J. B. Harzinski
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of July 20th, 1937

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Meeting called to order by the President, Mr. Powers.

There was no report by the Secretary, as Mr. Harzinski was absent. Mr. Sloane was appointed Secretary Pro tem.

A picnic was discussed.

Mr. Bauer expects to go to the A. N. A. Convention.

Mr. Hayes application for membership was accepted.

Mr. Bauer suggested that different members make small exhibits to add interest to the meeting.

Mr. Powers made a good report on the Denonville Medals, having disposed of about 50 himself. He suggested each member try and dispose of five. The members promised their co-operation.

Mr. Blake of New Jersey did not receive the Medal he ordered. Mr. Powers informed the members that Mr. Harzinski had an extra medal, which would be sent to Mr. Blake.

Meeting adjourned to the auction. A few small lots were disposed of.

J. W. Sloane
Secretary Pro tem

Members present: Bauer, Lindboe, Kolb, Schwartz, Hayes, Powers, Plumb, Bloom, Blum, Kaufman, Elston, Sloane.

Minutes of the meeting of September 21, 1937.

The 580th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on September 21, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, with President Powers presiding.

There were 18 members and 7 visitors present.

A motion was made and seconded that we suspend the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Mr. Powers gave a clear-up of the Newspaper write-up of the meeting.

Messrs. Bauer, Gillette, and others gave us a report of the A. N. A. Convention in Washington, this being the 25th Convention Mr. Bauer has attended.

Mr. Kaufman then made a resolution to the effect that the Club Secretary should send a word of thanks to the Washington Coin Club for the splendid time that was had by all.

The Rochester Numismatic Association expressed it's sympathy to Mr. G. J. Lindboe in the passing of his son, George W. Lindboe, a former member of the R. N. A.

The Secretary brought before the Club the fact that the Fourth Central New York Meet is to be held on October 23rd at Syracuse.

It was planned to have visitors night at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned to the raffle and auction.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

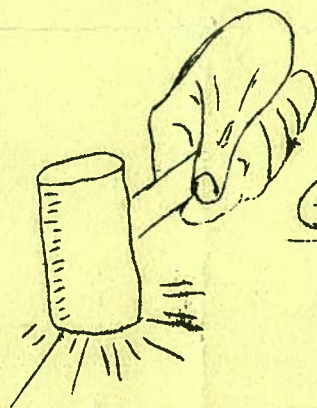
ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

OCT. 5th. 1937

The Rochester Numismatic Association will hold it's next meeting on Tuesday, October 5th, 8 P. M., at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences; Edgerton Park.

Visitors Night

Each member is requested to bring at least one visitor as his guest to this meeting.



Auction
GOING!
GOING!
GONE!

Following the meeting there will be an Auction.
Rules of the Auction: Each member is allowed to enter not more than 10 lots at one meeting time. This will give every one a chance to sell his coins. A 10% commission will be charged for coins sold, which will be paid to the Club Treasurer.

ALLWAYS AN EXHIBIT OF INTEREST.

J. B. Harginski
Sec'y



Minutes of the meeting of October 5, 1937.

The 581st meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on October 5th, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, with President Powers presiding.

There were 20 members and 3 guests present.

The minutes of the previous meeting ~~were~~ read and approved.

Mr. Powers read a letter from the Caledonia Hobby Club stating that some of their members expected to come here for the meeting on October 19th. A light lunch was discussed and members offered to donate.

Mr. Lindboe gave a report on the Hobby Show to take place some time in March, 1938.

The Secretary brought before the members the 4th Central New York Meet at Syracuse, on the 23rd of October. About 12 members planned on attending.

Mr. Powers and Mr. Meinhart gave us a talk on Counterfeiting of Coins, which was very interesting.

Mr. Powers offered to send remittances for those that wish to subscribe to the Scrapbook.

~~Following~~ the raffle an auction ~~THE MEETING WAS~~ **ADJOURNED**

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of November 2nd, 1937

The 583rd meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on November 2nd, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, with President Powers presiding.

In the absence of Mr. Harzinski, Mr. A. D. Donley acted as Secretary.

The following members were present: Powers, Sloane Donley, Plumb, Gillette, Hayes, Parker, Babin, Kaufman, Amberg, Elston, Bauer, Kolb, Cohen, Blum, Schwartz, Meinhart.

Mr. Gillette read a Resolution on the death of Mr. Woodbury, which was adopted and a copy put in the minutes, also a copy sent to Woodbury's family.

Motion made and seconded which was carried to accept a set of Medals as a permanent loan to the R. N. A.

A motion was made and seconded and carried to send flowers to Mr. Lindboe.

After raffling the Presidential medal, which was won by Mr. Hayes, the meeting adjourned.

A. D. Donley,
Acting Sec'y.

Minutes of the meeting of November 18th.

The The 584th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on November 18th, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edgerton Park, with President Powers presiding.

In the absence of Mr. Harzinski, Mr. Elston acted as Secretary.

The following members were present: Powers, Bloom, Hayes, Horner, Plumb, Kaufman, Elston, Sloane, Parker, Kolb, Sunday, Grover, Babin, Bauer, Amberg, Cohen. Guests: Mrs. Sunday, A. Gutentag, Cleveland, Ohio, Charles H. Stearns, 800 East Avenue, and H. W. Matthews, 45 Exchange St.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Letter thanking Club members for plant from Mr. Lindboe's daughter read.

Old Business

Mr. Powers spoke of Radio Audition last Thursday evening. Ten members were there. The Club will be on the air November 28th. Script is ready for members. Suggested we have meeting at Museum to rehearse program over loud speaker next Monday at 8 o'clock. Seven members passed the audition tests.

New Business

Nominating committee as follows to report at next meeting, appointed by Mr. Powers: Wm. Sunday, A. Kaufman, John Sloane.

December 7th meeting upstairs in coin room.

Dr. Parker explained Museum having a 3" medal to be struck for individuals who are outstanding in various fields of Science and literature. One of these struck in silver will be given each year to some person in the Rochester area.

Mr. Lindboe needs November 1936 Numismatist and first 9 months of 1926 to give Club complete from 1912.

Suggested letter be sent to A. G. Burdack, 273 Smith, regarding picture frame of paper money he loaned to Club exhibit.

Mr. Lindboe thanked members for their kindness during his recent illness.

Mr. Powers introduced Mr. Gutentag, of Cleveland, who visits several Clubs during the year and says he always feels at home here. Also introduced Mr. Chas. Stearns, member of Society of Medalists, of New York City. Was asked by them to place collection of their Medals in Rochester Museum. Two Medals struck each year. Think main reason they want loan in Rochester is to stimulate interest and get a few members to Society. Membership charge is \$8.00 per year and entitles members to two medals per year.

Mr. Gillette in Strong Memorial Hospital after operation on toe, therefore, unable to do anything on his assignment to speak on Spanish coins. Mr. Bauer was unable to prepare paper he had intended to as he could not work along with Mr. Gillette. Nevertheless, he gave a very interesting talk.

Wm. A. Elston, Acting Sec'y

THE HOBBY CLUB OF THE AIR

November 28, 1937

THEME: Fanfare

ANNOUN: The Hobby Club of the Air ! Brought to you every Sunday evening at this time by the Rochester Museum Hobby Council. The meeting will be called to order by Chairman Henry E. Weisenbeck.

ALL: (Murmur of voices in background.)

SOUND: Gavel

WEIS: The Hobby Club of the Air is called to order !

ALL: (Murmur of voices dies away gradually)

WEIS: Good evening, club members. Our program this evening should prove of special interest to numismatists, coin-collectors, and anyone else interested in the value and history of coins. I will call on our secretary, Mr. Perry, to introduce our guests -

PERRY: At our Hobby Club round-table this evening are seated some of the members of the Rochester Numismatic Association who are discussing the history and evaluation of important coins. Let us move our microphone over to their table and eavesdrop for a while. Voices you will hear are those of James Powers, Gustav Lindhoe, George Bauer, John Sloane, Leonard Babin, and Leslie Schwartz.

ALL: (Fade in with hum of several voices)

Sloane: (Fade in) What's the matter, Jim ? What were you complaining about to George ?

Powers: Oh, another fellow called me up today to ask me the value of the 1913 Liberty nickel -

Lindhoe: Did he have one ?

Powers: No, of course not. He's just looking for one -

Lind: Just like everybody else ! I think our association should issue a proclamation of some kind to the effect that everyone might as well stop looking for the 1913 Liberty nickel. We should tell people that they are looking for something which perhaps does not exist. They were never minted officially.

Babin: Yes - but isn't it a fact that someone working at the San Francisco mint did strike off six of the nickels ?

Bauer: It has been said that six were struck off - but they were never minted officially, and there is no proof that a 1913 Liberty nickel ever existed.

Schwartz: The reason why so many people trouble us with inquiries about the nickel is because they have been led astray by the misleading Ads they see in magazines and newspapers. Someone advertises that he is willing to pay a thousand dollars for a 1913 Liberty nickel, and many coin collectors get the impression that such a coin really exists.

Lind: Ah, such nonsense ! That is like telling everyone he can be president of the United States - when he knows darn well there can only be one at a time !

Powers: I don't believe many experienced coin collectors hunt for coins they see widely advertised. Most of them know they would only be chasing a mirage.

Sloane: It's the same with the dime issued at the San Francisco mint in 1894. I'll bet two dozen people have asked me where they could find one. They don't realize that only 24 were minted, and that their chances of finding one are about one in one hundred million.

Bauer: You're wrong there, John. More than 24 dimes were issued in 1894.

Sloane: Yes, but they didn't have the S mark which proves they were struck at the San Francisco mint. Without the S they have no value. Say that reminds me - I wanted to ask you if the Philadelphia mint has a distinguishing mark on its coins -

Babin: The Philadelphia mint has no mark. There are only three mints in existence in the United States at present. The San Francisco mint which has the S mark, the Denver mint which marks its coins with a D, and the Philadelphia mint which has no mark at all.

Schwartz: With so much money minted every year, where does it all go ?

Bauer: I don't know. I know I haven't any !

ALL: Laugh

Powers: Say, maybe you fellows can help me. I've been asked to prepare a talk on numismatics for a school club of young coin collectors. What shall I talk about ?

Lind: First of all, you had better explain to them what numismatics is. Coin-collecting and numismatics are not the same thing you know.

Powers: Well, Gus, how would you define the differences between the two ?

Lind: A coin collector is simply a person who collects coins - but the numismatist collects coins because he is interested in their history. Numismatics is really a branch of Archeology. The study of coins unravels a great deal of history which has never been told before.

Bauer: Yes. For example, did you know that the only picture of Cleopatra made in her own day has come down to us on a coin ?

Sloane: I didn't know that.

Bauer: It's true. When Augustus Caesar conquered Egypt, he destroyed everything pertaining to Cleopatra - except her money.

Sloane: Hmm. He was a shrewd man.

Bauer: Her portrait on the Egyptian coins is the only real likeness which has come down to us.

Powers: In my talk, I'm supposed to tell the club something about the history of coins. Do any of you know the date when the first coin was struck ?

Babin: Sometime between the seventh and eight centuries B. C.

Powers: Not before that ?

Babin: No. You often hear that Solomon and King Tut had coin money, but that isn't true. They had no coins.

Powers: How about that, Mr. Bauer ? You ought to be able to tell me something about King Tut's money.

Bauer: Well, I was with Howard Carter when King Tut's tomb was discovered, and I can substantiate Mr. Babin's claim. No coins were discovered.

Schwartz: That's interesting, Bauer. I didn't know you had seen the King Tut excavations.

Sloane: Oh, yes - Mr. Bauer has been in many places of the world when important coins were found. Tell him about that time you were in Italy, George, when the jar of gold piece was found.

Bauer: I was in Sicily about ten years ago when a jar containing 28 ancient gold pieces was accidentally dug up. I think that was the most exciting experience a numismatist could possibly have. The coins were undoubtedly the greatest find of all time.

Powers: Did you get any of the coins, George ?

Bauer: Yes. I bought some of them. And later, I learned that a dealer had sold two of the pieces for \$43,000.

Sloane: Boy, what a find ! That's like something you read about.

Babin: When you prepare your talk, Jim, be sure to tell something about the original forms in which many coins were issued. For example, some of them were issued in bell-shaped forms --- and the " pieces of eight " are interesting.

Schwartz: Say, what are " pieces of eight " anyway ? I've read about them in fiction, but what is their significance numismatically ?

Lind: The " pieces of eight " are the Spanish mill dollar.

Sloane: I think the most interesting fact about them is that before the United States mint was established, all our paper money was payable in Spanish mill dollars, or the " pieces of eight ".

Bauer: When you give your speech, Jim, your audience is sure to ask you what establishes the real value of a coin. You want to have your answer ready.

Powers: Well, what would you say establishes the value of a coin?

Bauer: The condition it is in and it's age.

Lind: No ! I don't agree with you. There is more to it than that. Just one day last week I was in the Rochester Museum looking at the coin collections when a woman came up to me and held out a coin. She asked me if it were valuable. It was an old coin worn entirely smooth. After I had looked at it, I told her it was a very old coin from the first century A. D. " Oh, " she said, " Then it must be very valuable. " " No, " I said. " It is not worth anything at all. " " I have many like it, and mine are in A-1 condition. They are not worn smooth like yours - but mine are not valuable either. " She couldn't understand why this was so, but you see the point. Biblical coins may be very old and they may be in good condition, but still they are not valuable for the simple reason that there are plenty of them. It is the scarcity of the coin which determines its value.

Sloane: I agree with Gus that age doesn't make a coin valuable. For example, the regular issue of the three dollar gold-piece in 1875 can't be brought for less than a thousand dollars. but the three dollar goldpiece issued in 1854, twenty-one years earlier, isn't worth more than six or eight dollars.

Lind: Yes, and what accounts for that ? It is the scarcity of the goldpieces issued in 1875.

Powers: I think I agree with you. It is the scarcity of the coin rather than its age or condition which determines its real value.

Babin: If your speech is to be given before a school club, Jim, you're going to have your hands full. A lot of the members will probably want you to start them out on their coin collections.

Powers: I have just one rule for all would-be coin collectors. Start simply, in the easiest way possible, I shall tell them to begin by collecting United States pennies according to their dates. The best way is to begin with the Lincoln pennies which started in 1909 and continue with a penny for every year until 1937.

Babin: They can buy cards on which to mount their pennies at the five and dime stores.

Schwartz: Well, gentlemen, I will have to ask you to excuse me. I hate to leave this meeting, but I have another engagement.

Powers: Wait a minute, Les. Before you go, can you tell me the date when two cent pieces were issued in the United States ?

Schwartz: I think they were issued from 1864 until 1873.

Lind: That's right. And they were made of silver and nickel; not copper.

Bauer: At one time, three-cent nickels were minted too, you know. The government has also issued half-pennies and twenty cent pieces.

Powers: Was a nickel ever minted without the word " cent " on it?

Babin: Yes. In 1883. Why you remember about those, Jim. People got the idea those particular nickels were extremely valuable simply because they were imperfect. They used to collect them and have them gold-plated !

Powers: And were they valuable ?

Babin: No. They weren't valuable at all.

Sloane: Say, by the way, did you know that no silver dollars were coined in 1936 or this year either ? I have some friends who have been trying to get them. They want to save them because this is the year of their baby's birth. When they inquired, they found none had been minted.

Schwartz: I'll have to tell my sister-in-law that. She's been looking for them too. Well, (Fade out) as I said before, fellows, I really must be going -

Perry: And this seems an opportune time for us also, ladies and gentlemen, to leave the meeting, although I am sure we would all like to remain longer. We hope you have found this discussion both instructive and entertaining. The Rochester Numismatic Association holds its meetings every first and third Tuesday in the month at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences at Edgerton Park. Anyone interested in coins and numismatics is cordially invited to attend. This means ladies as well as the men. A display of coins is shown at every meeting. In addition, the members and their guests have the privilege of viewing the splendid coin collections now on display at the museum.

WEIS: Thank you, Mr. Perry.

VOICE: Mr. Chairman -

WEIS: Mr. _____.

VOICE: In our meeting tonight is a gentleman whose hobby is closely connected with numismatics, and its mighty interesting too. Couldn't we have a minute or two to hear from Alphonse Kolb about his hobby of collecting medals ?

WEIS: By all means. Let's have him up here. Where is Mr. Kolb?

Voice: Over there - in the corner.

WEIS: Mr. Kolb, won't you come up here and tell us why you collect medals and what they're like ?

Kolb: (Fade in) I'd be glad to, Mr. Chairman. I take great pleasure in collecting medals, not only for their historic and educational interest, but also for their artistic designs. To me, they are a study in art. The purpose of medals is to commemorate great events of national and international character. They are symbolic of historic events, progress, heroism, merit, and celebrations. The presentation of a medal is a mark of honor. The design of medals, therefore, is based on many subjects of general interest, such as sports, aviation, forestry, portraiture, natural history conservation and architecture. The history of coins and medals is inseparable. That is why I consider myself a numismatist even though I think it is more interesting to collect medals showing the portraits of all the presidents of the United States than to collect Lincoln *Lead* pennies. ~~*Lead coins.*~~

~~I have one medal - I believe I have it right here in my pocket - which shows the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Yes, here it is - I will pass it around so that you all may see the artistic relief work on the medal.~~

VOICE: Mr. Kolb, we understand that you make medals yourself.

Kolb: Yes, I do.

Voice: Didn't you design the medal which the Rochester Numismatic Association issued for the Denonville celebration last summer ?

Kolb: Yes, I did. Some of you may have seen it. The medal commemorates the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the invasion of the French army and its Indian allies under the leadership of the Marquis de Denonville during July 1687 into the country of the Seneca Indians. During that invasion, four great Seneca towns were destroyed which were located at Victor, East Bloomfield, Lima and Honéoye Falls.

Voice: What does that medal look like ? I haven't seen it.

Kolb: One side of the medal shows Denonville's portrait. The reverse side shows a map of the Genesee country with the route of the invading army and the locations of the Indian towns.

WEIS: I happen to know that Mr. Kolb also designs other medals. Every year, the Rochester Numismatic Association strikes off a medal to honor one of the club's presidents. I believe our club is the only organization in the country which does this, and Mr. Kolb is the man who designs those medals.

ALL: Applause.

WEIS: Thank you very much, Mr. Kolb, for telling us about your hobby. And now for Hobby Highlights ! Presented by Howard Damon and Ed Blake.

Blake: Did you know that Jane Withers, the young movie star, has a collection of over 300 dolls ? She has a doll from nearly every country in the world. One of the unusual dolls in her collection is a Ushabti. The Ushabti dolls are small, sculptured replicas of the servants of dead Egyptian kings which were buried with their royal masters to assure them comfort in after life.

Damon: Did you know that Jay T. Fox of Seaford, Long Island, has his own private museum as a hobby ? The museum is open free to the public each Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Installed in his basement in attractive surroundings; it is the Mecca of young and old for miles around. Exploration trips with enthusiastic young amateur scientists is a regular feature of this splendid avocation.

Blake: Did you know that some Camera Hobbyists have a new variation of the Scavenger Hunt which is so popular at parties ? Everyone invited to the party brings his own candid camera and then is sent out to take a series of pictures according to the list which has been given him. At the conclusion of the party, the films are developed and prizes awarded for the quality and originality of the work.

- Damon: Did you know that there is an Aquarium Society in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada ? It is believed to be the farthest north of any Aquarium Society in existence.
- Blake: Did you know that in Albion, N. Y. there is organized the North Pole College for the purpose of training department store Santa Clauses ? We understand the idea is co-educational, for it is believed there should be a Mrs. Santa Claus to entertain the children.
- Damon: Did you know that Wallace Beery, the movie star, collects giant French frogs as one of his hobbies ? A sound-proofed den for the frogs was built to silence the complaints of Mr. Beery's neighbors.
- WEIS: Thank you, gentlemen. Those are all the hobby highlights we shall have time for this evening.
- Perry: Mr. Chairman !
- Weis: Mr. Perry ?
- Perry: Before the meeting is adjourned, I should like to announce that we have been receiving many interesting letters from our hobby friends in Canada and many eastern states in this country. We plan to read and discuss some of their letters on our program next week. Membership certificates in the Hobby Club of the Air have been mailed to those who requested them. Next week, special guests on this program will include members of the Rochester Amateur Movie Club. A treat is in store for hobbyists whose interest lies in the field of making home movies. Be sure to listen in.

WEIS: And now, until next Sunday evening at this same time -

SOUND: Gavel

WEIS: The Hobby Club of the Air stands adjourned !

ANNOUN: Ladies and gentlemen, the Hobby Club of the Air has been brought to you by the Rochester Museum Hobby Council. Another Rochester Museum program will be brought to you on Monday evening at 8:15 when Director Arthur C. Parker will present " The Romance of Old Indian Days. "

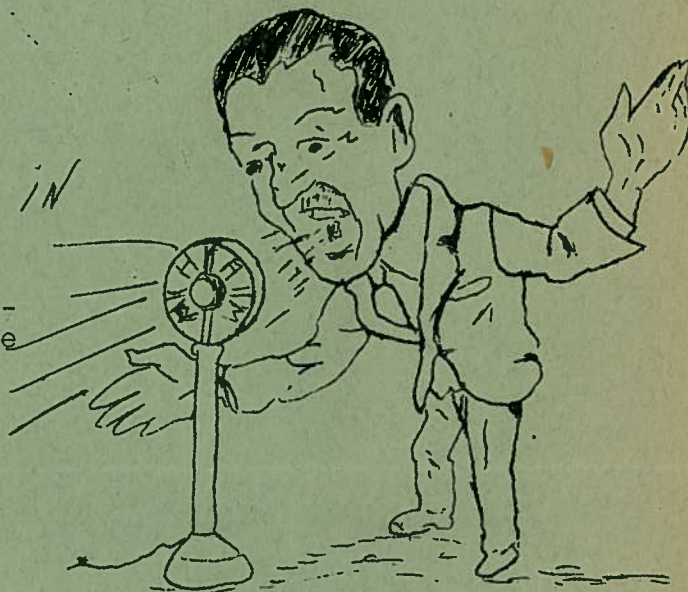
ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Meeting Notice

FLASH!

LISTEN IN

The Rochester Numismatic Association will be on the air next Sunday, November 28th, at 6:45 P. M. over WHAM.



Meeting Night Dec 7th.

The Rochester Numismatic Association will hold it's next meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 1937, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edgerton Park, 8 P. M. Sharp.

The nomination of officers for the coming year will take place at this meeting. You owe it to yourself and the Club to come to this meeting.

Always and auction and exhibit.

J. B. Harzinski
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of Dec. 7, 1937.

The 585th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on December 7th, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, with President Powers presiding.

The following members were present: Harzinski, Powers, Plumb, F. E. Peake, Hayes, Bauer, Lindboe, Babin, Kolb, Elston, Sloane, Cohen, Swartz, Bloom, Amberg, Studley.

Mr. Lindboe asked for the following Confederate bills for the Club collection, 1 - 10 - 50 Dollars, of the 1864 issue.

Messrs. Powers, Lindboe and Harzinski expressed their views on the Hobby radio broadcast.

Plans for the annual banquet were discussed. The banquet is to be held on January 8th, 1938, 6:30 P. M., at the Hotel Seneca. Ladies are invited. Tickets for sale at the next meeting. Price \$1.25 per.

The Syracuse and Buffalo Clubs were invited to the banquet.

In the absence of two of the nominating committee, a new committee was formed and the following members nominated:

President	-	F. E. Peake
Vice Pres.	-	L. L. Babin
Secretary	-	W. A. Elston
Treasurer	-	L. C. Swartz
Curator	-	G. J. Lindboe

Mr. Kolb was authorized to make the Presidential Medal of Mr. Powers, 25 or 35 to be struck.

The meeting was adjourned to the raffle and auction.

J. B. Harzinski
Secretary

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MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association will be held on December 21st, 1937, 8:30 P. M. at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edgerton Park.

Election of officers for 1938 will be held. Those nominated are as follows:

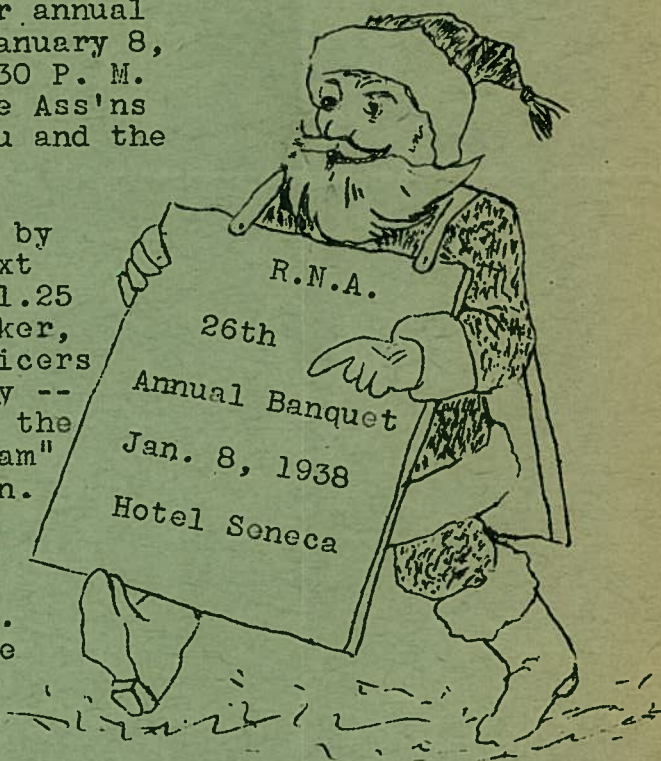
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Secretary	--	W. A. Elston
Treasurer	--	L. C. Swartz
Curator	--	G. J. Lindboe

The regular meeting of Tuesday, January 4th will not be held.

Plans are being made for our annual Banquet. This will be held on January 8, 1938, at the Hotel Seneca, at 6:30 P. M. Members from Buffalo and Syracuse Ass'ns have been invited. We expect you and the girl friend to participate.

May I ask your co-operation by procuring your tickets at the next meeting, December 21st. Price \$1.25 Did you say \$1.25? Sure, a speaker, toastmaster, installation of officers a door prize. Do you want turkey -- a little chase her -- Well maybe the Club Choir will sing "How dry I am" -- though there will be no reason. Enough said.

To be a success you must purchase your tickets in advance. The latest gag is (Don't you love it). Prove it by bringing the \$1.25 next meeting, or send your check to me.



Christmas Greetings

J. B. Harzinski, Sec'y.

J. E. Powers, Pres.



Minutes of the meeting of December 21st. 1937

The 586th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held on December 21st, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. In the absence of President Powers, who is confined to the hospital, Vice President Peake presided.

The following members were present: Harzinski, Plumb, Peake, Hayes, Lindboe, Babin, Kolb, Elston, Sloane, Swartz, Meinhardt, Blum, Bloom, Green, Cohen, Gillette, Greendyke.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A motion was made and carried that nomination be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot. The following members being elected:

President	-	F. E. Peake
Vice Pres.	-	L. L. Babin
Secretary	-	W. H. Elston
Treasurer	-	L. C. Swartz
Curator	-	G. J. Lindboe

The Secretary then reported the illness of President Powers and asked members to pay a visit to him at the Highland Hospital.

A motion was made and carried to send President Powers a plant. Mr. Lindboe would take care of it.

Mr. Kolb had on display a plaster and lead cast of the Presidential Medal.

Final arrangements for the 26th annual banquet were discussed. Tickets were for sale and were secured by many. It looked as though a large group would be present. It was voted upon to have an exhibit and auction. Mr. Lindboe offered his assistance in the absence of President Powers.

The application for membership of Mr. John Greendyke, Jr., was presented and accepted.

The meeting was adjourned to the raffle and auction and a visit to the coin room.

J. B. Harzinski,
Secretary